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In re application of : MARINUS W. KRUISKAMP  
U.S. Serial No. : to be assigned  
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Prior Serial No. : 10/162,171  
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For : DIFFERENTIAL DIFFERENCE AMPLIFIER FOR AMPLIFYING  
SMALL SIGNALS CLOSE TO ZERO VOLTS  
Prior Group No. : 2817  
Prior Examiner : P. T. Nguyen

**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to the grant of the patent for United States Serial No. 10/162,171, the Applicant is filing a continuation application. Additionally, the Applicant is making the below listed amendments to the continuation application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

1. Please insert the following statement on page 1 of the specification:

“This application is a continuation of prior United States Patent Application Serial No. 10/162,171 filed on June 3, 2002; which is a continuation of prior United States Patent Application Serial No. 09/716,547 filed on November 20, 2000, now U.S. Patent 6,400,225.”